

## **04-160 Agriculture and Forestry**

The Department of Agriculture and Forestry, directed by the Commissioner of Agriculture, is authorized under Article IV, Section 10, of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974. The mission of the department is to exercise all functions of the state relating to the promotion, protection and advancement of agriculture (except research and educational functions allocated to other agencies of state government). The goals of the department are:

1. Foster efficiency by maintaining effectiveness and low administrative costs by ensuring the success of all other departmental programs.
2. Create and sustain markets and affect jobs through its development of value-added food, agriculture and forestry products industries by way of financial assistance and counsel.
3. Assure that feed, fertilizer, horticultural products, pesticides and seeds meet quality standards.
4. Maintain a safe and healthy food supply for the people of Louisiana, while simultaneously protecting and safeguarding the producers of these products.
5. Provide regulatory services to ensure consumer protection for Louisiana producers and consumers.
6. Ensure the sustained high level of production of wood fiber while enhancing the recreational, wildlife habitat, watershed protection, and air quality values of forest lands.
7. Bring to the people of Louisiana the best technical assistance possible in order to protect and enhance the state's soil and water resources.

The Department of Agriculture and Forestry strives to achieve its goals through the operation of seven programs: Office of Management and Finance, Marketing, Office of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Office of Animal Health Services, Office of Agro-Consumer Services, Forestry, and Office of Soil and Water Conservation.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1999 - 2000	ACT 11 2000 - 2001	EXISTING 2000 - 2001	CONTINUATION 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED 2001 - 2002	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$40,542,467	\$34,381,533	\$34,381,533	\$38,998,190	\$31,999,772	(\$2,381,761)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	329,154	341,003	566,193	464,444	464,444	(101,749)
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	9,562,689	9,244,644	11,344,644	11,562,350	11,275,528	(69,116)
Statutory Dedications	43,854,907	53,149,175	56,585,026	53,491,148	56,700,992	115,966
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	6,692,912	6,880,655	6,880,655	6,982,115	6,900,176	19,521
<b>TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING</b>	<b>\$100,982,129</b>	<b>\$103,997,010</b>	<b>\$109,758,051</b>	<b>\$111,498,247</b>	<b>\$107,340,912</b>	<b>(\$2,417,139)</b>
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Management and Finance	\$15,176,470	\$13,023,239	\$15,123,239	\$16,633,112	\$14,394,507	(\$728,732)
Marketing	2,815,833	2,269,868	2,269,868	2,405,589	2,167,669	(102,199)
Agricultural and Environmental Sciences	47,568,928	52,175,639	55,611,490	52,532,624	55,002,977	(608,513)
Animal Health Services	9,577,620	9,284,815	9,284,815	10,359,852	8,786,984	(497,831)
Agro-Consumer Services	4,149,237	3,688,943	3,688,943	3,960,227	3,627,959	(60,984)
Forestry	16,464,488	16,673,406	16,898,596	18,355,219	16,238,100	(660,496)
Soil and Water Conservation	2,295,045	2,428,531	2,428,531	2,580,860	2,458,225	29,694
Auxiliary Account	2,934,508	4,452,569	4,452,569	4,670,764	4,664,491	211,922
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST</b>	<b>\$100,982,129</b>	<b>\$103,997,010</b>	<b>\$109,758,051</b>	<b>\$111,498,247</b>	<b>\$107,340,912</b>	<b>(\$2,417,139)</b>
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS: Classified	784	737	737	737	741	4
Unclassified	99	51	51	91	51	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>4</b>

This agency's recommended appropriation includes \$1,192,364 for short-term debt, including Lease Purchase agreements.

This agency's recommended appropriation includes \$273,685 for long-term debt.

Total long-term debt service payments for the state for Fiscal Year 1996-1997 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget in Non-Appropriated Requirements Schedule 22-922. This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 888,920
State General Fund by:	
Interagency Transfers	7,041
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	170,947
Statutory Dedications	403,774
Federal Funds	104,613
Total	\$1,575,297